



Self-guided audio walking tour of village available

The Fairport Village Partnership has created a self-guided, audio walking tour of the center of the village, and it is available now at the Fairport Public Library.

The tour begins at Kennelley Park next to the Library and follows a route on the south side of the Erie Canal that includes Parker Street, East Church Street, and Main Street. It is narrated by WHAM radio personality and Fairport resident Chet Walker, and takes about 45 minutes to complete.

There is no charge for borrowing a headset or speaker unit to take the tour, although a \$3.00 donation is suggested to help fund future tours. The initial tour was sponsored by a grant from Marilyn and Seymour Rudin. ☐

Save date in April for new Teen Book Festival

Library Friends sponsor event at FHS

A team of school and public librarians are working on a fabulous event for teens to take place Saturday, April 29, 2006. We have invited ten authors from around the country who write for teens for the first ever Greater Rochester Teen Book Festival, to be held at Fairport High School.

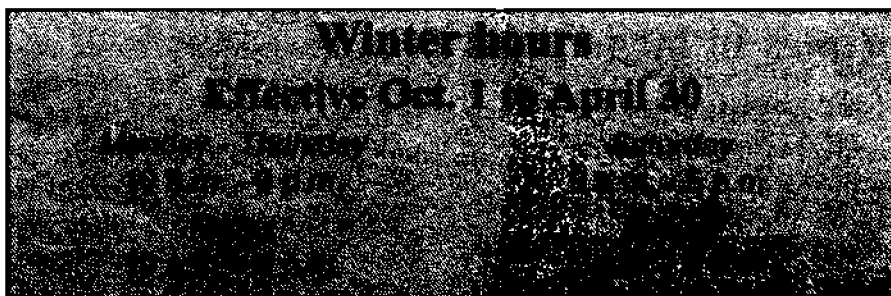
The day will start off with a keynote speaker and then proceed to three individual, more personal sessions at which teens can hear presentations from three different authors of their choosing. Books for all the authors will be available for sale and autographing. It is hoped that this event becomes an annual offering for the area, giving different towns the opportunity to host the Festival.

The Friends of Fairport Public Library have generously contributed to the Festival, an

event that no one school or library could afford to bring to the area. Collectively and working together with other Friends, school and community organizations, and other sponsors, this is a day that will surely be fun for all who attend!

Gel bracelets are being sold at schools and public libraries as a fundraiser for this exciting new event, a first for the Greater Rochester area.

So save the date and get ready to meet authors from all over the country! Look for additional plans and details, including the final list of authors, a schedule for the day and other treats at the library or through the link on the library website www.fairportlibrary.org. Questions can be directed to Stephanie Squicciarini, Teen Services Librarian (Stephanie@fairportlibrary.org). ☐



Check out test-prep database


Test taking got you down? Wish you could practice more? Unable or unwilling to pay for an expensive private test-preparation program? We're pleased to announce that at the Fairport Public Library, you now have free and unlimited access to practice tests that will help you reach your school and career goals. It's *www.LearningExpressLibrary.com*.

This interactive online database features more than 300 practice tests based on official school and career exams, including ACT, SAT, GED, ASVAB, Firefighter, Police Officer, Paramedic, EMT Basic, U.S. Citizenship, Postal Worker, Cosmetology, and Real Estate Sales Agent & Broker Exams,

among others.

Log onto one of our computers, select and then take the test you want. You will get immediate scoring and detailed answer explanations. You will also get recommendations for additional practice and online courses that will help you improve your performance on a subsequent test. Your test results will be stored in your own personalized account, accessible only to you.

You can access *LearningExpressLibrary.com* from home simply by using your library card.


For more information, please contact your reference librarian at the Fairport Public Library. 

Homebound services continue


Fairport Public Library continues to provide delivery service to the homebound. Staffed by volunteers, this service is for people living in the Fairport Central School District who are unable to come to the Library because of age, disability, or long-term illness.

We can select books or other materials for you or you


may supply us with a list of titles you would like or types of books you enjoy.

Please contact Margaret at 223-9091 if you or a family member are in need of this service. 

Items left in books can be retrieved

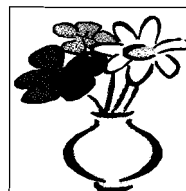
Each year many family photographs and keepsake bookmarks are left in books returned to the Fairport Public Library. Please be careful to check your books to be sure that anything of personal value is not inadvertently returned to the library. We have a lost and found at the Check Out Desk and retain lost items for two to three months as space permits. 

Reader's Digest, Times in large print

Fairport Public Library subscribes to LARGE PRINT EDITIONS of the *New York Times Weekly* and *Reader's Digest*. 

Donations sought for June book sale

Mark your calendars now. June 1-4, 2006, are the dates for the annual Friends of the Library Book Sale. The sale is




From the Friends...

held in the DeLand Center, First Baptist Church at 92 South Main Street.

The library does not have any storage

space and donations of hard-cover and paperback books may be made at the library from Monday, May 1 to May 27.

Textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, records, and Reader's Digest condensed books cannot be accepted.

The Friends are conducting a survey of all the other Friends groups in Monroe County to determine how other Friends conduct the book sales for their libraries. The Friends are looking for a possible new approach to the book sale. 

Remember your library card!


New York State law protects the confidentiality of patron records. In order to be in compliance with this law the library must require you to have your library card with you when you check out materials. This limits access to your patron record.

Program plea: cancel reservations

Record numbers of people are taking advantage of the many programs we offer here at the library. Almost all of our programs are free, but most require registration in advance.

We request advance registration because many programs have a participation limit due to space limitations and/or presenter expectations. Along with the

increase in attendance we have experienced much longer waiting lists.

We ask that if you register for a program and find that you are unable to attend please call the Library as soon as possible to cancel your registration. If we know that space is available we can call those on the waiting list so they may attend. 

Library cards need annual updating
Each year the circulation staff will update your library card and you will be asked to verify your address and telephone number. As of January 1, 2004, any fines or fees on a patron's card will need to be paid in full when the card is updated.

Sign up now for adult programs

Registration is requested for all programs unless otherwise noted. Call the library at 223-9091 to register. Please note times.

Brown Bag Book Reviews

Jan. 11, March 29 & June 7 at 12 noon. Join library staff for 20 book reviews in 40 minutes. Bring your lunch; dessert and beverage provided. No registration necessary.

Learn to Knit


Wednesday, Jan. 18 & Feb. 1, 7 p.m. Learn to knit a mini scarf with Nancy Vandivert. No experience needed. Limit 9.

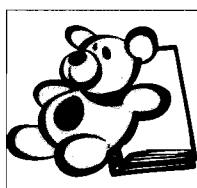
AARP Driver Safety Program

Jan. 25, 27, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

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Two fiction groups meet regularly

The afternoon fiction group meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. and the evening fiction group meets on the fourth Monday evening from 7 to 8:45 p.m. 



Children's Corner

3 Apples Book

Award: A New York State Children's Choice Award

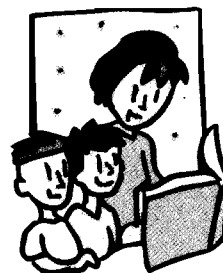
Winners of many children's book awards, such as the Newbery and Caldecott Awards, are selected by adults who know and love children's literature. But what about the kids? What are their favorite books? We are about to find out!


The 3 Apples Book Award has been developed to encourage the joy of reading for pleasure, and to give the children of New York state the opportunity to participate in honoring their favorite books.

Children in grades 3-6, ages 8-12, throughout the state will nominate their favorite books during the month of March, and the top fifteen nominees will be announced in April. Children will be encouraged to read the books selected during the summer and fall, and to participate in related

programs presented by both their school and public libraries. Elections will be held in January of the following year, with the winner announced in February. Then celebrations will be held throughout the state in honor of the most popular book of the year. In March the kids will nominate a new batch of favorites, and the fun will begin again.

March 2006 will be the official kick-off of this new award. Encourage your 8-12 year-old children to think about their favorite



books, and maybe even campaign for them among their friends! Don't let them miss this opportunity to enjoy today's most popular books and select their "pick of the crop." Keep your eye peeled (pardon the pun) for more information as we get closer to March. 

Adult programs

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Feb. 7 and 9, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Two part course. Valid New York license required.

Participants must attend both sessions. \$10 fee payable by check made out to AARP.

Seymour Rudin Small Business Resource Center

SCORE One-on-one counseling is held the first Wednesday evening of each month. For an appointment call SCORE at 263-6473.

Get a Jump Start on the Job Search by Rochester Works Jan. 19, 6:30 p.m.

Internet Job Searching plus Civil Service Opportunities Jan. 26, 7 p.m.

Seymour Rudin Small Business Series

Doing Business in Fairport - Panel Discussion

Saturday, April 8, 2-3 p.m.

SCORE Workshops

Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. There is a \$45 fee for the series. Limit of 30.

March 9 Your Business Plan

March 16 Budgeting/Cash Management plus Legal Considerations

March 23 Marketing

March 30 Banking/ Business Loans plus Insurance Considerations.

Tuesday Travelogues

Fourth Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. (except May and December) No registration.

January 24 New Mexico

February 28 Mexico

March 28 West of Ireland

April 25 Hong Kong

June 27 China

Ghost Ships of Lake Ontario

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7:15 p.m.
Jim Fischer.

Kindergarten Readiness

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 7 p.m.

Reflexology

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 7 p.m.

Understanding the New Medicare Law

Monday, Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m.
Repeat of popular program given in the fall.

How to Sell on eBay

Thursday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m.

Knitting Clinic

Wednesdays, March 1, 16, 22 & 29, 7 p.m. Limit of 9.

Did the Irish Discover America?

St. Brendan the Navigator
Thursday, March 2, 7 p.m.

Great Lawns/Great Lakes

Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m.

Deer-Proof Your Garden

Wednesday, April 12, 7 p.m.



Anniversaries and retirement noted

Library staff recently celebrated Joseph Monachino's 25th and Peggy Hagen's 20th anniversary working at the library. Long time employee Nora Jean Coon retired.

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